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President's Message

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I would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members **Robert (Bob) Gabriel**, from Nashua, New Hampshire (USA) and **Carell Gentrey**, Calgary, Alberta. Bob has been involved in organized wooden money collecting organizations in the United States for many years, and is the current President of the **International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors** (IOWMC) and I am sure we will be a great asset for our Association. I also hope that Carell will enjoy being a part of our organization. We are keeping **Larry White** in our hearts and minds, while he continues his medical battle.

By the time you read this, the 2018 Ontario Numismatic Association (ONA) Convention will have come and gone. Let's hope that our members who could attend enjoyed it. Our convention highlights will appear in the June issue of *Timber Talk* due to having to get this issue to print before the convention.

There is still time to go through your collections and decide if you would like to submit material for the auction that we run each year at the occasion of our CAWMC Breakfast-Annual General Meeting (AGM). I would like to invite you to consign with us the material that you wish to sell. CAWMC will keep 20% of the sale as commission; unless you wish to donate all proceeds to our organization. It's your call! Should you plan to consign something special or material, please let **Al Munro**, our auctioneer, or myself, know in advance, as we'll gratuitously advertise it in this newsletter. As well, there's still time to order or make personal woods for this event. Attendees love to swamp!

Are you planning to attend the RCNA convention this summer? I hope you'll include attending our meeting in your plans. The CAWMC Breakfast-AGM is at the RCNA convention is at the Hilton Mississauga / Meadowvale on Saturday, August 11, 8 a.m. in North Studio 2. The RCNA convention program of activities, the educational symposium (Aug. 8-9), tours (Aug. 7-9-10) appears in the recent *CN Journal* and can be found at www.rcna.ca/2018. Remember, you need to pre-register for the CAWMC Breakfast-AGM as the hotel needs the head count for the food.

You may feel like playing with your collection before heading up to the great outdoors this spring and summer. If you find a wood you particularly like, and had almost forgotten, or one that reminds you of an event or a good story, write us a line, we would love to hear from you! Please write a little something for the *Timber Talk*. We love hearing about all our members and what interest them. It makes for great reading! You can reach me at France D. Waychison, P.O. Box 466, Timmins ON P4N 7E3 or at france@waychison.com. *Let the good times roll*, for you and your families on Mother's Day (May 13) and Victoria Day (May 21) - Canada and Memorial Day (May 28) - USA.

Keep Well.
France





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 Al Munro
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 2001–2003:
 Earl Salterio*
 1995–2001:
 Lou Vesh
 1991–1995:
 Pat White*
 1985–1991:
 Norm Belsten
 1983–1985:
 Neil Probert
 1981–1983:
 Stanley Clute
 1979–1981:
 Don Robb
 1977–1979:
 Victor Hall*
 1975–1977:
 Garry Braunwarth

The C.A.W.M.C. was founded on January 1st, 1975, by Garry Braunwarth (C-1) (pictured below) and Victor B. Hall (C-2) in Calgary, Alberta. In addition to the founders, these are the 43 other original charter members.

C- 3 George Parfet
 C- 4 Leslie D. Copan
 C- 5 Norm Williams
 C- 6 Harold Butner
 C- 7 Frank J. DeGilio
 C- 8 N. R. Mack
 C- 9 Clarence C. Kramer
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 C-42 Ernest Ruch
 C-43 Gerald A. Hathaway
 C-44 Robert S. Ross
 C-45 Norman R. Belsten

Garry Braunwarth >>>



Canada's National Bird!

Free Wood of the Month of May 2018 by Ross Kingdon

Our May featured free 38 mm round Canada 150 wood of the month is from France Waychison.



As most members likely know, France loves butterflies (especially the Blue Monarch), and her and her husband Bill have a motto "Laissez le bon temps rouler," which translates to "let the good times roll."



Historically, according to the Monsignor Jules O. Daigle dictionary, "Cajuns" are "the descendants of the French people who colonized the general area of Acadia, now known as Nova Scotia, beginning in 1604."

The language spoken in Acadia was French and the Acadians maintained close contacts with France. But when they were driven out of Nova Scotia by the British in the 1750's and settled in southern Louisiana, they severed their connections with France and found differences in the flora and fauna around them, requiring new words. The language began to evolve independently. Monsignor Daigle's 594-page tome, privately printed at his own expense of \$50,000, is the first systematic attempt to produce a comprehensive dictionary of the Cajun tongue. "Laissez les bons temps rouler" is the Cajun French (Louisiana) for "let the good times roll" versus France's version "Prenons du bon temps."

Featured Woods:

- ♦ *IOWMC Belle / Robert Gabriel* (38mm) - June 2018 from Robert Gabriel
- ♦ *A Set of 2 Dog Woods* (38mm) - July 2018 from Judy Blackman
- ♦ *Medicine Hat / Canada 150* (38mm) - August 2018
- ♦ *CAWMC (revised logo) / Canada 150* (38mm) - September 2018 from James Williston (Canada Wide Woods)
- ♦ *Gray Jay (variety 2) / Canada 150* (38mm) —October 2018—from Al & Marion Munro
- ♦ *Wood Coin Collector / Busy* - November 2018—donated by Jim Smith (woodencoin.com)
- ♦ *2018 Winter Olympics flat (Cream pulp)*—December 2018—donated by Judy Blackman
- ♦ *West Edmonton Coin & Stamp* - February 2019 (8300-138), April 2019 (8300-134), June 2019 (8300-132), August 2019 (8300-137) - this is the last wood in the 8-wood series (if member donations come in, these WECS will be shuffled).

Woods to be advised for these 2019 months: January, March, May, July, September-December. More donations are always welcomed!

New Stan Banner, B.C. Wood

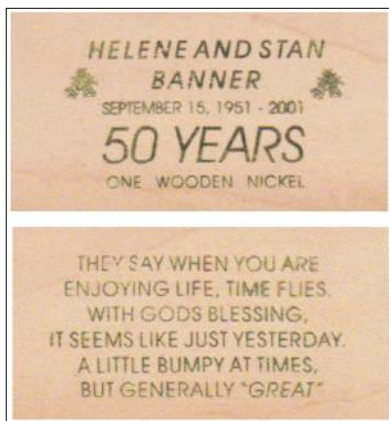
by David "Rusty" Phillips

This new British Columbia wood was "commissioned" by the family of **Stan Banner** to commemorate his 90th Birthday! The wood was ordered in November 2017 from woodencoin.com (Jim Smith, Likely, B.C.) for delivery to Stan (in Sidney, B.C. where Stan retired) for his 90th Birthday on December 20, 2017. There were 150 woods ordered, and Jim did a good job in getting the woods to the family well in time before the birthday (in fact, there were a number of extras, over and above the 150 ordered... Thanks Jim!).

The wood is 45 mm in size, with black writing both sides. No varieties. The woods are being issued by Stan to friends. Stan was a long-time member of the **Alberni Valley Coin Club**. He held several of the Executive positions in the Club over the years. One of his areas of numismatic interest and collecting was wooden nickels / tokens.



Stan was instrumental in mentoring and encouraging the writer of this article, when I was first getting interested in wooden nickel / token collecting in the mid 1990s! Thus, I was so pleased to receive from Stan one of his woods, which recognizes his continuing interest and support of both wooden nickels / tokens as collectables, and, my interest in wooden nickel / token collecting. Thanks Stan!



Editor's Note: On September 15, 2018, **Helene** and **Stan Banner** will have been married 67 years. For their 50th Anniversary in 2001, they issued 200 of this 50 x 95 mm wooden flat with gold foil stamped on both sides. Helene and Stan still live in their home in Sidney, with their daughter in Victoria, B.C. close by. **David Phillips** shared, "Stan was instrumental in issuing many woods from Port Alberni re the Knights of Columbus, plus the "Eat an Environmentalist" woods from the early to mid 1990s."

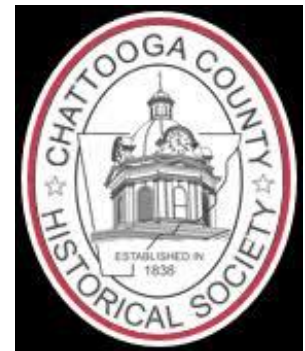


Jim Smith of woodencoin.com has permission to use this CAWMC die to make woods for CAWMC members, should a member so desire.



100th Anniversary for Summerville Depot

The Summerville Depot is located at 119 East Washington Street in downtown Summerville, Georgia. A special 100th Anniversary Birthday Celebration was held Saturday, April 7, 2018, to honor of the Historic Summerville Depot. More than 50 specialty, retail, craft, and food vendors from Georgia, Tennessee, and Alabama were on hand, as well as a Kids Zone with inflatables and bungee jumping. Market hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and admission is free. The city gave away 2,000 38mm diameter wooden nickels during the event beginning at 10 a.m. to the first attendees while supplies lasted. The original Summerville Depot was constructed in 1889 and served the Chattanooga, Rome, and Columbus Railroad that was built to Lyerty, Summerville, and Trion. The railroad was merged into the Central of Georgia system in 1901. However, the depot burned on two occasions. The current depot was constructed in 1918 and was a fully operating depot until the 1950s. The Summerville Depot was preserved as a historic site and was placed on the National Historic Register of Historical Places in 1992. It currently serves as headquarters for the Chattooga County Historical Society and plays host to monthly Summerville Main Street events, as the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum steam excursion trains arrive from Chattanooga.



Nevada State Museum's 75th Anniversary



**History of CAWMC
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**Jan. 1975 – Sept. 1979
Garry Braunwarth**

**Oct. 1979 – July 1981
Stan Clute**

**Aug. 1981 – July 1983
Albert Kasman**

**Aug. 1983 – Oct. 1992
Garry Braunwarth**

**Nov. 1992 – Dec. 1994
Lou Vesh**

**Jan. 1995 – Aug. 2008
Ross Kingdon
(14 years!!!)**



Above is a Dan Gosling photo
of Ross Kingdon

**Sept. 2008 – Dec. 2009
Tony Hine**

**Jan. 2010 – Aug. 2010 Norm
Belsten**

**Sept. 2010 – Current
Judy Blackman, FONA, KStE**



Some of the Nevada State Museum (NSM) staff visited Governor Sandoval to present him with the first 75th Anniversary (1941-2016) commemorative medallion minted on Carson City Coin Press No. 1. Standing: Curator of History, Robert Nysten; Administrator of the Division of Museums and History, Peter Barton; Exhibits Preparator and designer of the medallion, Jeanette McGregor; and Sales & Promotion Representative and Membership Coordinator, Mary Covington, standing behind the seated Governor Sandoval. These .999 fine silver medallions were available at the Nevada State Museum Store throughout the 2016 year, with a limited mint run of up to 1,941. Also issued for this anniversary celebration were 38mm wooden nickels.



The NSM is located in the former Carson City Mint.

The Carson City U.S. Mint's formal mint status was withdrawn in 1899 due to the drastic decline in mining on the Comstock. The facility continued to function as an assay office until it closed in 1933. It was sold to the state of Nevada in 1939 for \$10,000. Today, it functions as the Nevada State Museum.



**CARSON CITY
MORGAN DOLLARS**

UK 1800s Wooden Bank

This is an original 1800s Victorian English hand-made wooden savings bank. It's designed to look like a miniature chest of drawers but the top left-hand drawer opens to enable the saver to place a coin on the tray. The coin drops and at first it is unclear how it can be retrieved. Then, by removing a lower beam, the secret wooden slide emerges. As you can see in the photograph, with the old English halfpenny. It measures 5" (12.5 cms) tall, 5.5" (13 cms) x 4.5" (11 cms). This bank sold for about \$240 CAD before shipping, customs, duty and taxes.



John & Audrey D. Hnatiuk's 14 Dog Woods

John and Audrey issued 14 dog woods, and each is 44-45 mm diameter. Quantity is unreported for each of these woods. These woods were issued two per year 1995-2000 except 1995 and 1996 there were three issued instead of two. The obverse consistently includes “* JOHN & AUDREY d. HNATIUK * P.O. BOX 4944, VAN. B.C. V6B 4A6” as well as “MEMBER OF T.S.A.L.C. #240”. The reverse is “GOOD FOR IN TRADE” inside ring, and in the centre circle is EXPIRES -, underlined, and then the amount of the discount. The Hnatiuks would then handwrite the expiry date on the line. The woods are listed in Norm Belsten's catalogue: 9800-128 Irish Wolfhound (1995, 50¢), 9800-129 Collie-Smooth (1995, 50¢), 9800-112 Boxer (1995, 25¢), 9800-130 Fox Terrier (1996, 50¢), 9800-131 Bull Terrier (1996, 50¢), 9800-116 Dalmatian (1996, 50¢), 9800-137 Borzoi (1997, 50¢), 9800-138 St. Bernard (1997, 25¢), 9800-144 Siberian Husky (1998, 50¢), 9800-143 Miniature Schnauzer (1998, 50¢), 9800-149 Kerry Blue Terrier (1999, 50¢), 9800-150 Bull Mastiff (1999, \$2.00), 9800-155 Collie-Rough (2000, 50¢), 9800-156 Samoyed (2000, \$5.00),



John & Audrey D. Hnatiuk Mother's Day Woods

All of John and Audrey's Mother's Day eleven woods are 44-45 mm diameter and were each issued in a quantity of 100-150 woods. These woods were issued each year 1990-2000. The obverse consistently includes "★ JOHN & AUDREY d. HNATIUK ★ P.O. BOX 4944, VAN. B.C. V6B 4A6" in the outer ring as well as "Mother's Day" and the year of issue in the centre circle. The reverse is "GOOD FOR IN TRADE" inside ring, and in the centre circle is EXPIRES -, underlined, and then the amount of the discount. The Hnatiuks would then handwrite the expiry date on the line. The woods are listed in Norm Belsten's catalogue: 9800-092 (1990, 25¢), 9800-095 (1991, 50¢), 9800-099 (1992, 75¢), 9800-103 (1993, \$1.00), 9800-107 (1994, \$1.00), 9800-111 (1995, \$1.00), 9800-115 (1996, \$1.00), 9800-136 (1997, 50¢), 9800-142 (1998, \$1.00), 9800-148 (1999, \$1.00), and 9800-154 (2000, \$2.00).



The couple also issued 200 of this 50th Anniversary wood in 1996 (9800-117). It includes double-date 1946-1996 on the obverse, having been married the year after WWII ended.



John issued a different wood for every organization that he belonged to. For example this Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA, now RCNA) "star" wood reflecting his Lifetime Membership #134 (9800-160). He also issued ones for TAMS, CPMS, ALPCA, VNS, NSNS, CLBCC, RPSC, CAWMC, and Police Insignia.



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Vancouver Coin and Stamp Company Trade Woods

1982 newspaper clipping reads:

"Dealer has 'trade woods': **The Vancouver Coin and Stamp Company** is adopting the old "Canadian Tire" approach to its marketing. The B.C. dealership is offering trade vouchers in numerous denominations to its customers which will be good on future purchases. The company, however, will be using wooden money rather than the famous paper bills used by Canadian Tire. The B.C. dealership is offering trade vouchers in numerous denominations to its customers which will be good on future purchases. At present, the company has printed 25 cent, 50 cent, and 75 cent trade tokens, which will be given out, one per purchase, according to the value of the item bought by the customer. Eventually, says **John Hnatiuk**, of **Vancouver Coin and Stamp**, the firm will offer wooden tokens in values of \$1.00, \$2.00 and \$5.00, making them some of the highest valued tokens ever offered. The woods will be offered to customers who buy in the store as well as to mail order customers, or anyone interested in picking a few up for their collections. The Vancouver Coin and Stamp Co. Ltd., is located at 520 West Pender Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 1V3. When completed, the series of trade tokens made in wood by **John Hnatiuk** of Vancouver will contain some of the highest valued tokens in Canada."

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Here's two examples of the 44-45mm diameter trade woods showing the expiry date "Feb. 6, 1982" with each issued in a quantity of 250:

9800-056 (1981, 25¢)



9800-057 (1981, 50¢)



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Northwoods Medallion Hunt

The 2nd Annual Northwoods Medallion Hunt was held Thurs. Feb. 1– Sun. Feb. 11, 2018 which allowed participants to collect 10 wooden nickels from 10 Ely Merchants and enter for more chances to win Chamber Bucks. This Hunt is part of the Ely Winter Festival activities. This is an annual event with a different Northwoods theme each year.



There was a total of 10 clues released each day (radio wely 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. broadcasts, Chamber of Commerce building board, Facebook and website) to lead hunters to the medallion. The first person to find the medallion won \$250 in Chamber Bucks. But there were more chances to win too.



Each participating Ely merchant has Northwoods Medallion Hunt commemorative 38mm diameter wooden nickels during the hunt period. For every ten wooden nickels turned in at the Chamber of Commerce, the entrant receives an entry form for a drawing for four prizes: 1st place \$100 Chamber Bucks, 2nd place \$75 Chamber Bucks, 3rd place \$50 Chamber Bucks, and 4th place \$25 Chamber Bucks. No purchase necessary—entrants visit merchants often to collect a coin—one coin per person at each-store per day. There is no limit to the amount of days you visit each store, as you can collect wooden nickels galore to turn in for an entry form for the drawings as long as you have ten wooden nickels each time. This year's theme is the Bear. The medallion and commemorative wooden nickels are etched with the likeness of furry wilderness neighbors. Many entrants collected eleven wooden nickels, kept one for their collection, and turned in the other ten with an entry form.

The Hunt Medallion was hidden on Ely city property accessible by the public. No disassembly or digging of any kind was necessary to locate it. Draw winners picked up their prizes at the Ely Chamber of Commerce, 1600 E. Sheridan Street, Ely, Minnesota 55731 USA. The 2018 winner of the grand prize of \$250 Chamber Bucks was Kevin Dunn.



The **North American Bear Center** is located in Ely.